

men of the Board, the head of such department or agency shall furnish such information to the Board.

(D) The Board may use the United States mail in the same manner and under the same conditions as other departments and agencies of the United States.

(E) The Administrator of General Services shall provide to the Board on a reimbursable basis such administrative support services as the Board may request.

(7) Not later than September 30, 1989, the Board shall transmit to the President and to each House of the Congress a report stating the strategy developed under this subsection and the results of each analysis conducted under this subsection. Such report shall contain a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions of the Board together with its recommendations for such legislative and administrative actions as it considers appropriate to carry out such strategy and to assure maximum economic benefits to the users of the Great Lakes and to the Great Lakes region.

(8) The Board shall cease to exist 180 days after submitting its report pursuant to this subsection.

(9) The non-Federal share of the cost of carrying out this subsection shall be 25 percent. There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the Federal share of this subsection for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 1986, and ending before October 1, 1990.

**(c) International advisory group**

(1) The President shall invite the Government of Canada to join in the formation of an international advisory group whose duty it shall be (A) to develop a bilateral program for improving navigation, through a coordinated strategy, on the Great Lakes, and (B) to conduct investigations on a continuing basis and make recommendations for a system-wide navigation improvement program to facilitate optimum use of the Great Lakes. The advisory group shall be composed of five members representing the United States, five members representing Canada, and two members from the International Joint Commission established by the treaty between the United States and Great Britain relating to boundary waters between the United States and Canada, signed at Washington, January 11, 1909 (36 Stat. 2448). The five members representing the United States shall include the Secretary of State, one member of the Great Lakes Commodities Marketing Board (as designated by the Board), and three individuals appointed by the President representing commercial, shipping, and environmental interests, respectively.

(2) The United States representatives to the international advisory group shall serve without pay and the United States representatives to the advisory group who are full time officers or employees of the United States shall receive no additional pay by reason of their service on the advisory group, except that the United States representatives shall be allowed travel or transportation expenses under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5 while away from their homes or reg-

ular place of business and engaged in the actual performance of duties vested in the advisory group.

(3) The international advisory group established by this subsection shall report to Congress and to the Canadian Parliament on its progress in carrying out the duties set forth in this subsection not later than one year after the formation of such group and biennially thereafter.

**(d) Review of environmental, economic, and social impacts of navigation in United States portion of Great Lakes**

The Secretary and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and other appropriate Federal and non-Federal entities, shall carry out a review of the environmental, economic, and social impacts of navigation in the United States portion of the Great Lakes. In carrying out such review, the Secretary and the Administrator shall use existing research, studies, and investigations relating to such impacts to the maximum extent possible. Special emphasis shall be made in such review of the impacts of navigation on the shoreline and on fish and wildlife habitat, including, but not limited to, impacts associated with resuspension of bottom sediment. The Secretary and the Administrator shall submit to Congress an interim report of such review not later than September 30, 1988, and a final report of such review along with recommendations not later than September 30, 1990.

(Pub. L. 99-662, title XI, § 1132, Nov. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 4246; Pub. L. 116-260, div. AA, title V, § 512(c)(5)(D), Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 2756.)

**Editorial Notes**

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

Section 5311(b) of title 5, referred to in subsec. (b)(5)(A), (B), was repealed by Pub. L. 101-509, title V, § 529 [title I, § 104(c)(1)], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1427, 1447.

**AMENDMENTS**

2020—Subsec. (b)(3)(E), (4)(D). Pub. L. 116-260 substituted “Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation” for “Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation”.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions in subsec. (c)(3) of this section relating to the requirement that the international advisory group report biennially to Congress, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 193 of House Document No. 103-7.

**§ 2309a. Project modifications for improvement of environment**

**(a) Determination of need**

The Secretary is authorized to review water resources projects constructed by the Secretary to determine the need for modifications in the structures and operations of such projects for the purpose of improving the quality of the envi-

ronment in the public interest and to determine if the operation of such projects has contributed to the degradation of the quality of the environment.

**(b) Authority to make modifications**

The Secretary is authorized to carry out a program for the purpose of making such modifications in the structures and operations of water resources projects constructed by the Secretary which the Secretary determines (1) are feasible and consistent with the authorized project purposes, and (2) will improve the quality of the environment in the public interest.

**(c) Restoration of environmental quality**

**(1) In general**

If the Secretary determines that construction of a water resources project by the Secretary or operation of a water resources project constructed by the Secretary has contributed to the degradation of the quality of the environment, the Secretary may undertake measures for restoration of environmental quality and measures for enhancement of environmental quality that are associated with the restoration, through modifications either at the project site or at other locations that have been affected by the construction or operation of the project, if such measures do not conflict with the authorized project purposes.

**(2) Control of sea lamprey**

Congress finds that—

(A) the Great Lakes navigation system has been instrumental in the spread of sea lamprey and the associated impacts on its fishery; and

(B) the use of the authority under this subsection for control of sea lamprey at any Great Lakes basin location is appropriate.

**(d) Non-Federal share; limitation on maximum Federal expenditure**

The non-Federal share of the cost of any modifications or measures carried out or undertaken pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) shall be 25 percent. The non-Federal share may be provided in kind, including a facility, supply, or service that is necessary to carry out the modification or measure. Not more than \$10,000,000 in Federal funds may be expended on any single modification or measure carried out or undertaken pursuant to this section.

**(e) Coordination of actions**

The Secretary shall coordinate any actions taken pursuant to this section with appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies.

**(f) Omitted**

**(g) Nonprofit entities**

Notwithstanding section 1962d-5b of title 42, a non-Federal sponsor for any project carried out under this section may include a nonprofit entity, with the consent of the affected local government.

**(h) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$50,000,000 annually to carry out this section.

**(i) Definition**

In this section, the term “water resources project constructed by the Secretary” includes a water resources project constructed or funded jointly by the Secretary and the head of any other Federal agency (including the Natural Resources Conservation Service).

(Pub. L. 99-662, title XI, § 1135, Nov. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 4251; Pub. L. 100-676, § 41, Nov. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 4040; Pub. L. 101-640, title III, § 304, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4634; Pub. L. 102-580, title II, § 202, Oct. 31, 1992, 106 Stat. 4826; Pub. L. 104-303, title II, § 204, Oct. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 3678; Pub. L. 106-53, title V, § 506, Aug. 17, 1999, 113 Stat. 338; Pub. L. 106-541, title II, § 210(c), Dec. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 2592; Pub. L. 110-114, title II, § 2024, Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1079; Pub. L. 113-121, title I, § 1030(f), June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1232; Pub. L. 115-270, title I, § 1157(g), Oct. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 3794.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Subsec. (f) of this section, which required the Secretary to transmit biennial reports to Congress on the results of reviews conducted under subsec. (a) of this section and on the programs conducted under subsecs. (b) and (c) of this section, terminated, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance. See, also, page 72 of House Document No. 103-7.

Section was formerly set out as a note under section 2294 of this title.

**AMENDMENTS**

2018—Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 115-270 substituted “\$50,000,000” for “\$40,000,000”.

2014—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 113-121 substituted “The non-Federal share may be provided” for “Not more than 80 percent of the non-Federal share may be” and “\$10,000,000” for “\$5,000,000”.

2007—Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 110-114 substituted “\$40,000,000” for “\$25,000,000”.

2000—Subsecs. (g) to (i). Pub. L. 106-541 added subsec. (g) and redesignated former subsecs. (g) and (h) as (h) and (i), respectively.

1999—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 106-53 designated existing provisions as par. (1), inserted heading, and added par. (2).

1996—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(a), struck out “the operation of” after “to review” and inserted before period at end “and to determine if the operation of such projects has contributed to the degradation of the quality of the environment”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(b), struck out at end “The non-Federal share of the cost of any modifications carried out under this section shall be 25 percent. No modification shall be carried out under this section without specific authorization by Congress if the estimated cost exceeds \$5,000,000.”

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(c)(2), added subsecs. (c) and (d). Former subsecs. (c) and (d) redesignated (e) and (f), respectively.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(c)(1), redesignated subsec. (c) as (e). Former subsec. (e) redesignated (g).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(c)(1), (3), redesignated subsec. (d) as (f) and substituted “programs conducted under subsections (b) and (c)” for “program conducted under subsection (b)”.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(c)(1), redesignated subsec. (e) as (g).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 104-303, § 204(d), added subsec. (h).

1992—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-580, § 202(1), inserted at end “No modification shall be carried out under this

section without specific authorization by Congress if the estimated cost exceeds \$5,000,000.”

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 102-580, §202(2), substituted “\$25,000,000” for “\$15,000,000”.

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-640, §304(a), struck out “before the date of enactment of this Act” after “constructed by the Secretary”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-640, §304(b), substituted “program” for “demonstration program in the 5-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act” and struck out “before the date of enactment of this Act” after “constructed by the Secretary”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 101-640, §304(c), amended subsec. (d) generally. Prior to amendment, subsec. (d) read as follows: “Not later than 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall transmit to Congress a report on the results of the review conducted under subsection (a) and on the demonstration program conducted under subsection (b). Such report shall contain any recommendations of the Secretary concerning modification and extension of such program.”

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 101-640, §304(d), substituted “\$15,000,000 annually to carry out this section” for “\$25,000,000 to carry out this section”.

1988—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-676, §41(a), substituted “5-year period” for “two-year period”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 100-676, §41(b), substituted “5 years” for “two years”.

### **§ 2310. Cost sharing for Territories and Indian tribes**

#### **(a) In general**

The Secretary shall waive local cost-sharing requirements up to \$200,000 for all studies and projects—

(1) in American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; and

(2) for any Indian tribe or tribal organization (as those terms are defined in section 5304 of title 25).

#### **(b) Inflation adjustment**

The Secretary shall adjust the dollar amount specified in subsection (a) on an annual basis for inflation.

(Pub. L. 99-662, title XI, §1156, Nov. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 4256; Pub. L. 113-121, title I, §1032, June 10, 2014, 128 Stat. 1233; Pub. L. 114-322, title I, §1119, Dec. 16, 2016, 130 Stat. 1643; Pub. L. 115-270, title I, §§1155(a), 1156, Oct. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 3793; Pub. L. 116-260, div. AA, title I, §135, Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 2649.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

##### **AMENDMENTS**

2020—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 116-260 substituted “on an annual basis for inflation.” for “for inflation for the period beginning on November 17, 1986, and ending on October 23, 2018.”

2018—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 115-270, §1155(a), substituted “or tribal organization (as those terms are defined in section 5304 of title 25).” for “(as defined in section 5130 of title 25).”

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 115-270, §1156, substituted “October 23, 2018” for “June 10, 2014”.

2016—Pub. L. 114-322, §1119(1), inserted “and Indian tribes” after “Territories” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 114-322, §1119(2), inserted dash after “projects” and par. (1) designation before “in American” and added par. (2).

2014—Pub. L. 113-121 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and inserted heading, inserted “Puerto

Rico,” before “and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands”, and added subsec. (b).

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

##### **TERMINATION OF TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS**

For termination of Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, see note set out preceding section 1681 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

### **§ 2311. Report to Congress covering proposals for water impoundment facilities**

Any report that is submitted to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate or the Committee on Public Works and Transportation of the House of Representatives by the Secretary, or the Secretary of Agriculture acting under Public Law 83-566, as amended [16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.], which proposes construction of a water impoundment facility, shall include information on the consequences of failure and geologic or design factors which could contribute to the possible failure of such facility.

(Pub. L. 99-662, title XII, §1202, Nov. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 4263.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

##### **REFERENCES IN TEXT**

Public Law 83-566, as amended, referred to in text, is act Aug. 4, 1954, ch. 656, 68 Stat. 666, known as the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, which is classified principally to chapter 18 (§1001 et seq.) of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1001 of Title 16 and Tables.

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

##### **CHANGE OF NAME**

Committee on Public Works and Transportation of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

### **§ 2312. Comments on certain changes in operations of reservoirs**

Before the Secretary may make changes in the operation of any reservoir which will result in or require a reallocation of storage space in such reservoir or will significantly affect any project purpose, the Secretary shall provide an opportunity for public review and comment.

(Pub. L. 100-676, §5, Nov. 17, 1988, 102 Stat. 4022.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

##### **CODIFICATION**

Section was enacted as part of the Water Resources Development Act of 1988, and not as part of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 which comprises this chapter.

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

##### **“SECRETARY” DEFINED**

Secretary means the Secretary of the Army, see section 2 of Pub. L. 100-676, set out as a note under section 2201 of this title.